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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Jocelyn G. Boyd Chief Clerk/Administrator **Public Service Commission of South Carolina** Post Office Drawer 11649 Columbia, SC 29211

Re: Joint request to hold hearing in abeyance and approve revised storage tariff without a hearing

Docket No. 2019-393-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

In fulfillment of Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc.'s ("DESC") obligation under the Settlement Agreement (the "Settlement")¹ entered into with South Carolina Solar Business Alliance (the "SCSBA"), DESC filed the Rate PR — Qualifying Facility Storage for storage facilities paired with certain renewable generation facilities in this docket on December 30, 2019. Now, DESC encloses a revised tariff (the "Storage Tariff") and comparison against the original tariff filed in this docket. As described below, these changes reflect the significant discussions among DESC, the SCSBA, and Ecoplexus, Inc. (with the SCSBA, the "Solar Intervenors"). As such, DESC and the Solar Intervenors request that the hearing scheduled for this Wednesday, August 5th, be held in abeyance and the Commission approve the Storage Tariff without a hearing.

By way of background, DESC filed the original tariff on December 30, 2019, and requested that the Commission consider and approve such tariff without a hearing. On January 17, 2020, the SCSBA requested that the Commission set a procedural schedule and allow interested parties to intervene. In response, the Commission established a procedural schedule on February 19, 2020, which included prefile testimony deadlines and scheduled a hearing for August 5, 2020. Thereafter, the Solar Intervenors, the South Carolina Coastal Conservation League, and Southern Alliance for Clean Energy submitted Petitions to Intervene which were granted by the Commission. DESC and the SCSBA also submitted prefile testimony.

¹ The Settlement was filed with the Commission in Docket No. 2017-370-E.

However, DESC and the Solar Intervenors have reached an agreement on the terms of the Storage Tariff, and believe that the enclosed Storage Tariff not only fulfills DESC's obligation under the Settlement, but also furthers the goals of S.C. Act No. 62 of 2019 ("Act 62") by ensuring that DESC is effectively able to integrate emerging energy storage resources, while paying rates to such resources that fairly account for ratepayer benefits. Given this agreement, the Solar Intervenors have decided to withdraw their request for a hearing in this matter and DESC and the Solar Intervenors jointly request that the Commission hold in abeyance the hearing scheduled for this Wednesday, August 5th, in order to consider and approve the Storage Tariff without a hearing.

By copy of this letter, we are serving the Storage Tariff upon counsel for the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff, the South Carolina Coastal Conservation League, and Southern Alliance for Clean Energy. DESC looks forward to the opportunity to answer any questions the Commission may have about the Storage Tariff.

Sincerely,

J. Ashley Cooper

JAC:vbb Enclosures

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